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SUBJ: ALLEGED THREAT AGAINST CHILDREN OF PLO OBSERVER

REF: USUN 1582

1. FURTHER TO REFTEL, ACTING PERMANENT OBSERVER FOR PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION TO UNITED NATIONS, ZEHDI LABIB TERZI, WAS INTERVIEWED SEPARATELY BY NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND FBI. TERZI EXPLAINED THAT HE HAS TWO SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN, A SON, KAMEL, AGE 8, AND A DAUGHTER, KARIMAH, AGE 14, BOTH ATTENDING NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS. TERZI COULD NOT IDENTIFY WHO WAS BEHIND ALLEGED THREAT AGAINST HIS CHILDREN NOR WOULD HE IDENTIFY SOURCE OF INFORMATION EXCEPT TO SAY IT WAS SOMEONE FROM WEST BANK, WHOM HE CONSIDERED TRUSTWORTHY AND RELIABLE. IN SPITE OF MEAGER INFORMATION AVAILABLE, NEW YORK CITY POLICE, AT USUN'S REQUEST, HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO TERZI'S CHILDREN ENROUTE TO AND FROM SCHOOL AND SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE TERZI RESIDENCE, EFFECTIVE APRIL 26, 1976.

2. ACCORDING TO TERZI, HIS DAUGHTER ATTENDS BARUCH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 330 EAST 21ST STREET. SHE TRAVELS TO AND FROM SCHOOL BY BUS WITH CLASSMATES, DEPARTING HER HOME ON EAST 40TH STREET AT APPROXIMATELY 8:15 A.M. IN ADDITION TO THE RADIO PATROL CAR WHICH WILL BE STATIONED OUTSIDE THE RESIDENCE AT THAT TIME, POLICE WILL HAVE COVERAGE AT THE BUS
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STOP AT EAST 40TH STREET AND FIRST AVENUE BETWEEN 8:00 AND

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8:30 A.M. THE SAME COVERAGE WILL EXIST WHEN SHE DISEMBARKS AT EAST 21ST STREET. ADDITIONALLY, THE CIVILIAN SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD AT BARUCH JUNIOR HIGH WILL BE REPLACED BY A UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICER. THE SAME PROCEDURE WILL BE REPEATED IN THE AFTERNOON WHEN KARIMAH IS RELEASED FROM SCHOOL. REGARDING HIS SON, TERZI TOLD POLICE EITHER HE OR HIS WIFE ESCORTS THE BOY TO AND FROM SCHOOL. HE SAID HE HAS ARRANGED WITH SCHOOL AUTHORITIES THAT HIS SON WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE SCHOOL UNLESS IN THE COMPANY OF ONE OF HIS PARENTS. ACCORDING TO TERZI, ALL AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OF THE CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED BY EITHER PARENT, OR AN ADULT WHOM THEY DESIGNATE.

3. POLICE COVERAGE WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR TWO WEEKS AT WHICH TIME IT WILL BE REVIEWED. POLICE REPORT TERZI IS SATISFIED WITH THEIR ARRANGEMENTS AND FBI REPORTS HE SEEMED PLEASED BY THEIR INTEREST IN THE CASE AND THEIR PROMISE TO COORDINATE INTELLIGENCE WITH NEW YORK CITY POLICE. TERZI STATED HE WILL NOTIFY POLICE AND FBI IF FURTHER INFORMATION DEVELOPS PERTINENT TO THIS THREAT.
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